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TAGS: OVIP (SCHLESINGER, JAMES R.)

SUBJECT: NPG MEETING THE HAGUE: CONTINGENCY PRESS

GUIDANCE FOR SECRETARY SCHLESINGER

1. FOLLOWING ARE QUESTIONS THAT WOULD LIKELY BE PUT TO SECRETARY SCHLESINGER IN ANY CONTACT HE MIGHT HAVE WITH THE PRESS DURING HIS STAY IN THE HAGUE. SECRETARY SHOULD BEAR IN MIND THAT OVERRIDING PREOCCUPATION FOR GON AND DUTCH PUBLIC RIGHT NOW IS ARAB OIL EMBARGO, WITH ITS ADVERSE EFFECTS ON DUTCH CONSUMERS (E.G. NO PLEASURE DRIVING ON SUNDAY), DUTCH INDUSTRY AND PORT OF ROTTERDAM.

2. WHAT IMPACT HAS MIDDLE EAST CRISIS, PARTICULARLY ARAB OIL EMBARGO WHICH SERIOUSLY AFFECTS HOLLAND AND WESTERN EUROPE, HAD ON NATO SOLIDARITY AND WESTERN SECURITY? WHAT IS US POLICY ON OIL SHARING? WILL OIL PROBLEM BE DISCUSSED IN PEACE NEGOTIATIONS? (IT SHOULD BE NOTED, INSOFAR AS DUTCH CORRESPONDENTS ARE CONCERNED, THAT DUTCH PUBLIC OPINION IS DECIDEDLY PRO-ISRAEL AND THAT DUTCH CENTER-LEFT COALITION

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GOVT. HAS BEEN TRYING, SO FAR WITHOUT SUCCESS, TO CONVINCE

ARABS THAT ITS POLICY IS EVEN-HANDED).

WHAT IS US REACTION TO CHARGES IT DID NOT CONSULT WITH ITS ALLIES REGARDING CRISIS, PARTICULARLY IN ALERTING US FORCES? US VOICED ITS DISPLEASURE OVER THE FAILURE OF SOME OF ITS ALLIES TO SUPPORT THE US DURING THE CRISIS. DOES THIS INCLUDE THE NETHERLANDS? ARE WE RE-APPRAISING OUR RELATIONS WITH OUR ALLIES? DOES THIS MEAN THAT US WILL CUT BACK ON ITS MILITARY COMMITMENT TO NATO?

WHAT IS US REACTION TO DUTCH INITIATIVE FOR NATO STUDY ON REATIONALIZATION OF FORCE ROLES? CAN DUTCH, IN US VIEW, FULFILL THEIR NATO COMMITMENT WITH SMALLER DEFENSE BUDGET?

WHAT IS OUTLOOK FOR MEANINGFUL RESULTS AT MBFR TALKS?

WILL NUCLEAR WEAPONS REDUCTIONS BE INCLUDED?

WHAT IS THE STATUS OF THE SALT TALKS?

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